APPENDIX

Version of Amendment with Markings to Show Changes Made Please amend claim 12 as follows.

--12. (Amended) A temperature control system for heating medical items to desired temperatures comprising:

a system housing;

a plurality of heating compartments disposed within said housing to receive at least one medical item;

a plurality of heating assemblies each disposed within a corresponding heating compartment to heat that compartment and said at least one medical item contained in that compartment, wherein each said heating assembly includes:

a heating plate <u>including a medical item support platform</u> to receive <u>and support</u> at least one medical item thereon and to distribute heat within that compartment and to said at least one medical item contained therein;

a heater affixed and applying heat to said heating plate; and

a temperature sensor to measure a temperature of said heating plate;

and

a controller to facilitate entry of desired temperatures for said heating compartments and to independently control a thermal output of each said heater to heat said at least one medical item contained within a corresponding compartment to said entered desired temperature associated with that compartment based on said temperature measured by a corresponding temperature sensor;

wherein said controller controls said heating assemblies to heat at least two of said compartments to different desired temperatures.--

